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1. A special commission has been instituted in Ljubljana whose sole function is to ascertain which State cooperatives in Slovenia actively support and which passively resist government supervision. Those cooperatives which have proved salutary to the collectivization program are being retained while the remainder, especially those recalcitrant to controls, are being disbanded through the release of the personnel, and the restitution of the property to former owners.
2. Because of the almost total lack of marketable consumer goods and the excessive taxes, few persons have taken advantage of the recent government measure in Slovenia permitting individuals to engage in certain private enterprises by merely procuring a license.
3. Economic conditions in Yugoslavia are very poor and are getting worse daily. As a result of the severe drought, almost 50 percent of the corn and potato crops have been destroyed. A famine is certain to result not only in non-agricultural areas but throughout the country unless conditions rapidly improve. Moreover, the authorities have had considerable difficulty in requisitioning the harvested crops because the peasant, and the average man too, has begun to offer passive resistance to the regime. Unless considerable relief is obtained from abroad, the country will be confronted with a grave economic and political crisis in the forthcoming winter months.
4. Although the lot of the peasant and worker has greatly deteriorated because of the difficult economic situation in Slovenia, UDB men and Party activists have made matters worse by exerting considerable pressure on the public to induce them to subscribe to the recent State loan. The quota for individuals was summarily calculated and the tribute is now being exacted.

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